The Caledonian Mercury.

Edinburgh, Tuesday, August 2, 1726.

From the Evening Post, July 26.

Petersburg, July 6.

THE English and Danes do not appear disposed to return home yet. Pr. Menzicoff set out Yesterday for Riga to view the Fortifications and Garrison, and put that Place into a good State of Defence.

Vienna, July 13. 'Tis talked here, that the Empress is with Child, and that the Court will declare it publickly within a Fortnight.

Paris, July 31. Wheat is already housed in most Parts of the Kingdom. 'Tis observed, that one Sheaf yields more than 6 of last Year.

Rome, July 13. The Chevalier de St. George, who has dismissed the major Part of his Servants, still persists in causing his eldest Son to be educated in the Perswasion of the Church of England, to the great Grief of the Princess Sobieski; who's the more concerned at it, because that young Gentleman begins to profess it publickly: Of which they give this one Instance, That as he passed by a Church, attended with the Duke of Inverness, as they stile him here, he did not kneel down at the Ringing of the *Ave Maria*.

Petersburg, July 7. Some Days ago arrived an Express, dispatched from Constantinople by Major-General Romanzoff, Envoy Extraordinary from this Court to the Porte, with Advice, That the Grand Signor has consented to the settling the Limits in Persia, conformably to the Treaty made by our late Emperor with his Highness; in order to which, the Grand Signor has appointed some Galleys to carry that Minister by Sea as far as Trebisonde, from whence his Excellency will proceed by Land to Schirvan under a Turkish Guard.

London, July 26. The Duke of Liria, Son of the Marishal Berwick, is expected here next Week from Spain, to visit his Grandmother Mrs. Godfrey.

From the Post-Man, July 26.

Dresden, July 23. On the 18th Francis Leubler, who assassinated the Reverend Pastor Hahn, was broke alive in the great Square over against the Town House, in the Morning. At his Request, he was attended by one of the oldest Roman Catholick Clergymen of the Royal Chapel, viz. Father Hartman the Superior, to fit him for his latter End; which he did to that Degree, that the Assassin not only confessed his Guilt, but shewed exceeding great Marks of Repentance. After the Execution, his Corpse, chain'd to the Wheel, was dragged without the Town, and exposed to the Fowls of the Air. What was said some Time ago, of the Wretch's having been spirited up by a Jesuite to this barbarous Action, seems to have been groundless.

From the St. James's Evening Post, July 26.

London, July 26. Wednesday last a Man of Eighty Years, and a Woman of the same Age and upwards, entred into the holy State of Matrimony at Chelsea Church.

And the Week before, a Man of One Hundred and five was married to a Woman of Forty at the same Church.

Edinburgh, -----. We have lately received News from Leicestershire, that the Right Honourable the Lord Chief Baron of his Majesty's Court of Exchequer here, died of a Dropsy. He always supported the Character of a Judge with Gravity, and great Prudence, Uprightness and Integrity, and had every Think that could be wish'd for, or desired, to render him Great, Beloved, and Esteem'd: And having sate here ever since the Commencement of the Union, admired by all for his great Abilities, and Judge-like Qualities, he is now universally lamented in this Country. He was in all Respects an excellent Person, and of an unblemished Reputation, and seem'd to tread exactly in the Footsteps of the late famous Sir Matthew Hale, Lord Chief Justice of England. He has endowed the Chapel which he erected in this City at his own Expence, for the Use of those of the Communion of the Church of England, who are well affected to his present Majesty and the Royal Family, and left many other Monuments besides, which will perpetuate his Memory in this Nation.

From the London Gazette, July 26.

Madrid, July 22. N. S. The British Ambassador Mr. Stanhope, having received by a Messenger, the

the King his Maſter's Orders upon what had paſſed on Occaſion of the Duke of Riperda's taking Refuge in his Houſe, preſented on the 13th Inſtant a Memorial to his Catholick Majeſty, by the Hands of the Marquis de la Paz. On the 14th his Excellency went to the Palace, and had a Conference with the ſaid Marquis: On the 20th his Excellency had an Audience of the King and Queen, in which he complimented them on the Birth of the Infanta, and on the Queen's Recovery from her lying in, and was very graciouſly received by their Catholick Majeſties. The Duke of Wharton has openly profeſſed himſelf a Roman Catholick, by making his publick Abjuration of the Proteſtant Religion, and by going through all the other Ceremonies practiſed upon ſuch Occaſions.

From the Whitehall Evening-Poſt, July 26.

Madrid, July 9. We are told that the Count de Aguilar will be appointed Secretary of War, in the room of the Marquis de Caſtillar, who is nominated to the Embaſſy of Vienna. And they ſtill talk, that the Marquis de Monteleone will return in the ſame Capacity to the States of Holland. The Diſcourſe is revived, that the Emperor is to ſend ſome Troops into Catalonia, where a Camp is marked out for 60,000 Men in the Plain of Vic; and the Count de Montemar, who is to command there, is upon his Departure thither; the Marquis de Risbourg, Captain-General of Catalonia, being ſo much indiſpoſed at Barcelona, that he cannot take the Field. Beſides theſe Preparations for the Security and Defence of Catalonia, the Government is not unmindful of Malaga, and the other Places along the Coaſt in the Mediterranean; to all which Places Engineers are ſent to inſpect the Fortifications, and to make the neceſſary Repairs

London, July 26. Mr. Serjeant Miller is made one of the Barons of Exchequer in Scotland, in room of Matthew Lant, Eſq; who is preferred to be Chief Baron of the ſaid Court.

Yeſterday a Lawyer's Clerk in Clifford's Inn was carried before the L. Mayor for Sodomitical Practices and committed to Woodſtreet Compter.

From the Flying Poſt, July 26.

Bruſſels, July 25 The Oſtend Company's Stock is at 32 per Cent. Profit. All the Regiments ſent to that Place, are ſtill employed about the Fortifications, except the 4 Companies of Cuiraſſiers of the Regiment of Portugal.

Paris, July 25. There's a Company which offers 85 or 86 Millions for the Farms, which is 5 or 6 Millions more than the preſent Company gives. In which Caſe, the King will have 200 Millions clear Revenue.

London, July 26. This Day Margaret Clap ſtood in the Pillory, for keeping a diſorderly Houſe for the Entertainment of Sodomites.

Wye's Letter, verbatim, London, July 28.

No Foreign Mails this Poſt.

ON the 30th Inſt. the Parliament of Paris, cauſed a ſolemn *Te Deum* to be ſung in the Holy Chapel, on Occaſion of the King's Recovery, who the next Day gave Audience to the Foreign Miniſters in his Bedchamber.

They write from Peterſburg, that the Emperor's Miniſter, uſes his utmoſt Efforts to baffle the Negociations of Admiral Wager with that Court, to which End he makes uſe of theſe Arguments, That the aforenamed Admiral was come with open Force to negociate an Accommodation; That it would be a diſparagement to the Ruſſian Crown, to enter with him into a Treaty, while his Fleet lies at Anchor under an Iſle belonging to the Ruſſians; and that they ought at leaſt to make him quitt their Coaſt, to leave the Senators at an entire Liberty.

Mean Time the King of Great Britain in his Letter, repreſents amongſt other Things, That he was indiſpenſably obliged to ſend a ſtrong Fleet of his Ships of War into the Baltick Sea, to prevent new Troubles in thoſe Parts, by hindering her Imperial Majeſty's Fleet from coming out, in caſe ſhe ſhould perſiſt in her Reſolution of ſending to Sea to execute the Deſigns ſhe might have in View; and moſt heartily wiſh'd, that her Imperial Majeſty would, rather than think of entering into Meaſures which muſt inevitably plunge Ruſſia in a War, and the whole North in Confuſion, give convincing Proofs to the World of her Inclinations to Peace, and of her good Diſpoſition to live in Friendſhip with her Neighbours.

We are to add to the Empreſs of Ruſſia's Anſwer mentioned in our laſt, That tho' ſhe thinks herſelf not obliged to give an Account of her Armaments, yet is willing his Britannick Majeſty ſhould know, that the deceaſt Emperor having been abandoned towards the End of the War in the North of all his Allies, and having nevertheleſs procured for himſelf, ſolely by his own Arms, a glorious Peace; her Majeſty has laid it down for a Maxim, to keep up always, both by Sea and Land, Forces ſufficient

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to render her useful to her Allies, to make good her Engagements, and to enable her to make head against all who should dispute her Possession.

Upon the whole, there seems at present no great Prospect of bringing the Court of Petersburg to a speedy Accommodation. But there was no other Way of effecting it, than by sending thither a stout Squadron of English Men of War, notwithstanding the Arguments that are made against it.

The Squadron under Sir John Jennings, consisting of 9 Men of War, 2 Bomb Vessels, 2 Brigantines and a Transport, put into Torbay last Saturday by contrary Winds, but it coming next Morning somewhat easterly, they all weighed again, and about 2 a clock that Afternoon passed by the Westward, and by six the same Evening weathered the Start. It will be soon known whither and upon what Design this Fleet is going; mean Time all is quiet in the Mediterranean. Colonel Stanhope is in the greatest Esteem at the Court of Madrid, where, on the other Hand the Emperor's Minister, has not of late been so often in Conference as formerly.

Last Thursday a Sword Fish which had Teeth several Inches long like a Comb, and exceeding hard and sharp, and his Body about six Foot in Length, was after great Difficulty taken at Eroff in Kent by some Watermen and Fishermen, who have already raised great Sums of Money, by the Sight of the said Fish; none of that Kind having ever before been heard of in the River, and it being an Enemy to Whales, some believe he followed our Ships from Greenland, of which 11 are now arrived in the River. 'Tis the general Opinion, that the Success has proved indifferent, but the Company to make it up, designs to send out these Ships as soon as can be conveniently done upon short Voyages to Norway, Hamburg, &c. Captain Vincent, whose Company lies at Pendennes Castle is broke on account of some Misdemeanour. The Rt. Hon. William Pulteny Esq; is dangerously ill of a Fever.

From the St. James's Evening Post, July 28.

London, July 28. We hear that the News from Madrid, of the D. of Wharton's turning Papist, is accompanied with another Piece as extraordinary from Brussels, viz. That Dr. Francis Atterbury, late Bishop of Rochester, has accepted of the Command of a Regiment of Horse in the Emperor's Service, and was accordingly set out to's Post at Venlo.

General Schuylenberg, Brother to the Dutchess of Kendal, designs to set out next Week on his Return home. We hear one of his Majesty's [illegible] is to carry him to Calais.

We hear that assoon as the Patent for creating Prince Frederick Duke of Edinburgh, &c. has passed the proper Offices, a young Scots Nobleman is to be sent with it to his Highness at Hanover.

S. S. Stock, 105, 7 8ths. Annuities, 98, 3 4ths, York Buildings, 11, 1 half.

Edinburgh, Aug. 2. Yesterday being the Anniversary of his Majesty's Accession, it was observed here as usually.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

Edinburgh. 25th July 1726.

By Order of the MAGISTRATES.

¶¶ That a GALLOWAY PLATE, given by the Town of Leith, value *L.* 25 *sterl* will be run for on the Sands of Leith on the *Seventeenth of September* next, by Galloways carrying Nine Stones English, including Whip, Saddle and Bridle; to run 3 Heats, four Miles each, or twice round the Sands.—— The Horses are to start betwixt the Hours of 10 & 11 before Noon. The other Conditions and Rules for running of this Plate, are the same with those for running the City of Edinburgh's Plate; with this Difference, That each Person shall at Booking pay only One Guinea.

¶¶ That the KING's PLATE, value 100 Guineas, will be run for on the Sands of Leith the *Nineteenth of September* next, by any Horse, Mare or Gelding carrying Eleven Stones English, allowing Whip, Saddle and Bridle to be Part thereof; to run Three Heats four Miles, or twice round the Sands.—— The Horses to start betwixt 11 & 12 in the Forenoon —— No Jostling or Crossing to be allowed; and all Disputes are to be determined by the Lord Provost and Magistrates, who are to be with the Flags at the starting and Distance-posts.—— The Distance-post is to be Tenscore Yards from the Starring-post.—— The Rider, after each Heat, is to take off his Saddle himself, and carry it with him the Moment he dismounts to the Scales, and is to be allowed in weighing a Pound for Waste. Half an Hour is allowed at the End of each Heat, for Rubbing.—— If three single Horses gains each of them a Heat, the Horse that gains the last Heat, gets the Plate: Or, if any Horse gains the first two Heats, he gets the Plate.—— If any Horse, Mare or Gelding runs on the wrong Side of any of the Posts, or runs down any of them, they are to run back the same Way, and run right, or be adjudged as distanced.—— If the Water comes in upon the Course, the Posts are to be brought in during Rubbing, at the Direction of the Judges.—— The Flag at the starting-post to be dropt the Moment the first Horse's Head is seen to be past it, at the End of each Heat. And in case, by the Sea's not going far enough out, the Sands should allow but a short Course, it shall be in the Power of the Judges, any Time before the Race, to appoint each Heat to be run thrice round the Sands.—— The Flag at the Distance-post to be dropt at the same Time with that at the Starting post; and all the Horses that are not seen to be past the Distance-post at that Time, [illegible] adjudged as distanced, and have no Right to run again.

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*** The *Silver Plate* given by the Town of Edinburgh, to the Value of 50 L. Sterling, will be run for on the Sands of Leith, on the 20th of *September* next, by any Horſe Mare or Gelding, carrying ten Stone Engliſh Weight, allowing Whip, Saddle, and Bridle, to run three Heats, each Heat being four Miles, or twice round the Sands.——— The Horſes are to ſtart betwixt Twelve and One Mid-day. No joſtling or Croſſing to be allowed, and all Diſputes are to be determined by the Lord Provoſt, and Magiſtrates, who are to be with the Flags, at the Starting and Diſtance Poſts.——— The Diſtance Poſt is to be ten ſcore Yards from the Starting Poſt.——— The Rider after each Heat is to take off his Saddle himſelf, and to carry it with him that Moment he diſmounts, to the Scales, and is to be allowed in weighing one Pound for Waſte.——— Half an Hour is allowed at the End of each Heat for Rubbing.——— If three ſingle Horſes gains each of them a Heat, the Horſe that gains the laſt Heat gets the *Plate*, or if any Horſe gains the firſt two Heats gets the *Plate*.——— If any Horſe or Gelding runs on the wrong Side of any of the *Poſts*, or runs down any of them, they are to run back the ſame Way, and turn right, or elſe they are adjudged as diſtanced.——— If the Water comes in upon the Courſe, the *Poſts* are to be brought in during the Time of Rubbing, at the Directions of the Judges.——— The Flag at the Starting Poſt to be dropt the Moment the firſt *Horſes* Head is ſeen to be paſt it, at the End of each Heat, and in caſe by the Seas not going far enough out, the Sands ſhould allow but a ſhort Courſe, it ſhall be in the Power of the Judges, any Time before the Race, to appoint each Heat to be run thrice round the Sands.——— That the Horſes which are to run for this Plate, being three at leaſt, muſt be at Leith eight *Days* before the Days of the Race, and be booked fourty eight Hours before running, and to pay two Guineas each, at Booking.

Lately Publiſhed,

Propoſals, for printing by Subſcription, *A new Account of the EAST INDIES*: Being the *Obſervations* and *Remarks* of Captain ALEXANDER HAMILTON, who ſpent his Time there from the Year 1688, to 1723, trading and travelling, by Sea and Land, to moſt Countries and Iſlands of Commerce and Navigation betwixt the Cape of Good Hope and the Iſland of Japon. Deſcribing the *Seas* and *Sea-coaſts*, and *Iſlands*, the Kingdoms, Cities and Towns on the ſaid Coaſts and Iſlands, with new and exact *Maps* of them; alſo of the *Harbours* and *Dangers* on thoſe Coaſts and Seas. Likewiſe the Diſpoſitions and Qualities of the Inhabitants of *INDIA*; their Religion, Cuſtoms, Government, Commerce and Product of each Country and Iſland; as alſo ſome ſhort Hints of their Hiſtories and Traditions, both antient and modern, with ſome particular *Cuts*, repreſenting different Curioſities contained in the Book, to make the Remarks the more intelligible; and ſome of the *Author's* own Adventures, faithfully related. *Propoſals* may be had of JOHN MOSMAN, One of his Majeſty's Printers, and by whom *Subſcriptions* are taken in at the King's Printing-houſe in Craig's Cloſe; as alſo by *William Brown* and *George Stewart*, and other Bookſellers in Town.

Fiſhery-Office, June 28, 1726.

The Managers of the Copartnery are to expoſe to publick Sale, at their Office THIS DAY the 2d Aug. inſt. at 3 after Noon, at the following low Rates, for Encouragement of Bidders, viz.

Four new Herring-nets, at 3 L. ſterl. each.

Eight ditto, containing 110 undreſs'd ditto at 10 ſh. each.

Utenſils for a Twine-work per Inventary, to be ſet up at L. 9, 17, 8 ſterl.

Ditto for the Cod-fiſhing, as per Inventary; to be ſet up at L. 14, 1, 8.

Ditto for a Barking-houſe, per ditto, to be ſet up at L. 14, 16 4 ſterl.

The above Goods will be ſhown at Leith by David Davis th. Copartnery's Agent, and the Inventories and Articles of Sale at their Office in the Lawn-market. Alſo there will be expoſe to public Sale at the ſaid Office, a little after the ſame Hour, 88 Laſts, 1 3d of ſterling Buſs Herring at Peterhead, in one Lot, to be ſold as they lie, at 10 ſh. per Laſt.

Notice is alſo hereby given, That the Managers of the Fiſhing Copartnery have adjourned till TUESDAY the 24 inſt. at three a clock in the Afternoon, at their Office in the Lawn-Market in Edinburgh, the Sale of the Lands and Fiſhertoun of Peterhead with the Pertinents, and others belonging to the ſaid Copartnery, lying in the Parith of Peterhead and Shire of Aberdeen, the yearly Rental whereof, amounts to 191 Bolls 2 Pecks of Bear, 199 Bolls and 2 Pecks 1 3d Meal, 2 Bolls of Oats, and L. 80. 1. 1 1 6th Sterling of Money Rent and Feu Duties, being the neat free Rent, over and above the Miniſters Stipend. Item the Feus of 37 Houſes in Stonehaven, and Fiſh Boats in the ſaid Town, belonging to the ſaid Copartnery, lying in the Sheriffdom of Kincardin, the Free Rent whereof, amounts in all to L. 7. 12. 1 6th Sterling. Any Perſon who intends to bid for the above Purchaſe, may ſee the Particulars of the Rental, the Copartnery's Right, and the Conditions of Sale, at the Copartnery's Office.

The ſaid Managers do likewiſe further give Notice, That Attendance will be given by the Officers of the Copartnery at the Burrow Room, on Thurſdays and Fridays, from 9 to 12 in the Forenoon, and from 2 to 5 Afternoon, for paying to all Perſons having Certificates, made out in their own Name, or who have Right to the ſame by Indorſation, the firſt Dividend of their Fiſhery-Stock, at the Rate of 5 ſh. ſterl. per Pound, and on each Wedneſday during the Month of July, from 9 to 12 Forenoon, and from 2 to 5 Afternoon, the Certificates will be given out to ſuch Perſons who have hitherto omitted to call for the ſame.

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The Author of this Paper, thinks fit to intimate to the Noblemen, Gentlemen, &c. who are furniſhed with the ſame; That the firſt Quarter of the 7th Year, ended the 25th of July paſt 1726. Therefore he expects they will pay up the old Arrears, with this current Quarter, as they would be ſerved with the ſame for the future.